

**INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property/District Name: Rockdale Mills Survey Number: WA-VI-14

Project: Crown Castle Cove Ridge Wireless Communications Tower Agency: FCC

Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name                                  Date                                 

Eligibility recommended X Eligibility not recommended                                 

Criteria:   A   B   C XD Considerations:   A   B   C   D   E   F   G  
  None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The Rockdale Mills, Creek Road, Hancock Vicinity, Washington County contained an 18<sup>th</sup> century mill and an early 19<sup>th</sup> century log house in 1976. The mill no longer stands, but the site may contain archeological remains. The 2-story building was of timber frame construction. The site is eligible under National Register of Historic Places Criterion D.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Phase I Cultural Resources Survey for the Cove Ridge Communications Facility in Washington County Maryland

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Anne E. Bruder 8/28/00  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: X yes    no    not applicable

B. Kuntz 8/28/00  
Reviewer, NR program Date

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-VI-014  
District 5  
Map 17  
Parcel 12  
MAGI #2210395217

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**Rockdale Mills**

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

**Creek Road**

CITY, TOWN

☒ VICINITY OF **Hancock**

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**6**

STATE

**Maryland**

COUNTY

**Washington**

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

#### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

☐ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

#### ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED

☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

#### PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☒ OTHER:

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

**Leslie Williams**

STREET & NUMBER

Telephone #:

**C/O Mrs. Mae Mills, Hooks Mill**

CITY, TOWN

**Hancock**

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**Maryland 21750**

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

**Washington County Court House**

STREET & NUMBER

**West Washington Street**

CITY, TOWN

**Hagerstown**

STATE

**Maryland 21740**

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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 DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This mill is a two and one half story timber frame structure sheathed with beaded board siding applied with rose head wrought nails. Openings have wide frames with ovolo and cavetto trim. Six over six sashes are used. Framing consists of a hewn summer beam and girts with sawn joists. A large central vertical support is sawn with chamfered corners finished with lamb's tongues at the top. The mill stone and much of the grist milling mechanism were in the structure at the time it was photographed in 1976. A sign now on the dwelling near the mill reads Rock Dale Mills, R.E. Taney. The house is a two and one half story sided building believed to be of log construction.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This frame mill would appear to date from the late 18th century. Unfortunately when visited it was in very deteriorated condition and was threatened with imminent demolition. The mill property has been in the Williams family since the early 1900's or before. Deeds could not be traced beyond this period easily.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 37.41 acres

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

DATE

July 1978Preservation Associates

STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

301-432-5466109 West Main Street, Box 202

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Maryland 21782Sharpsburg

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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Hancock  
Quad

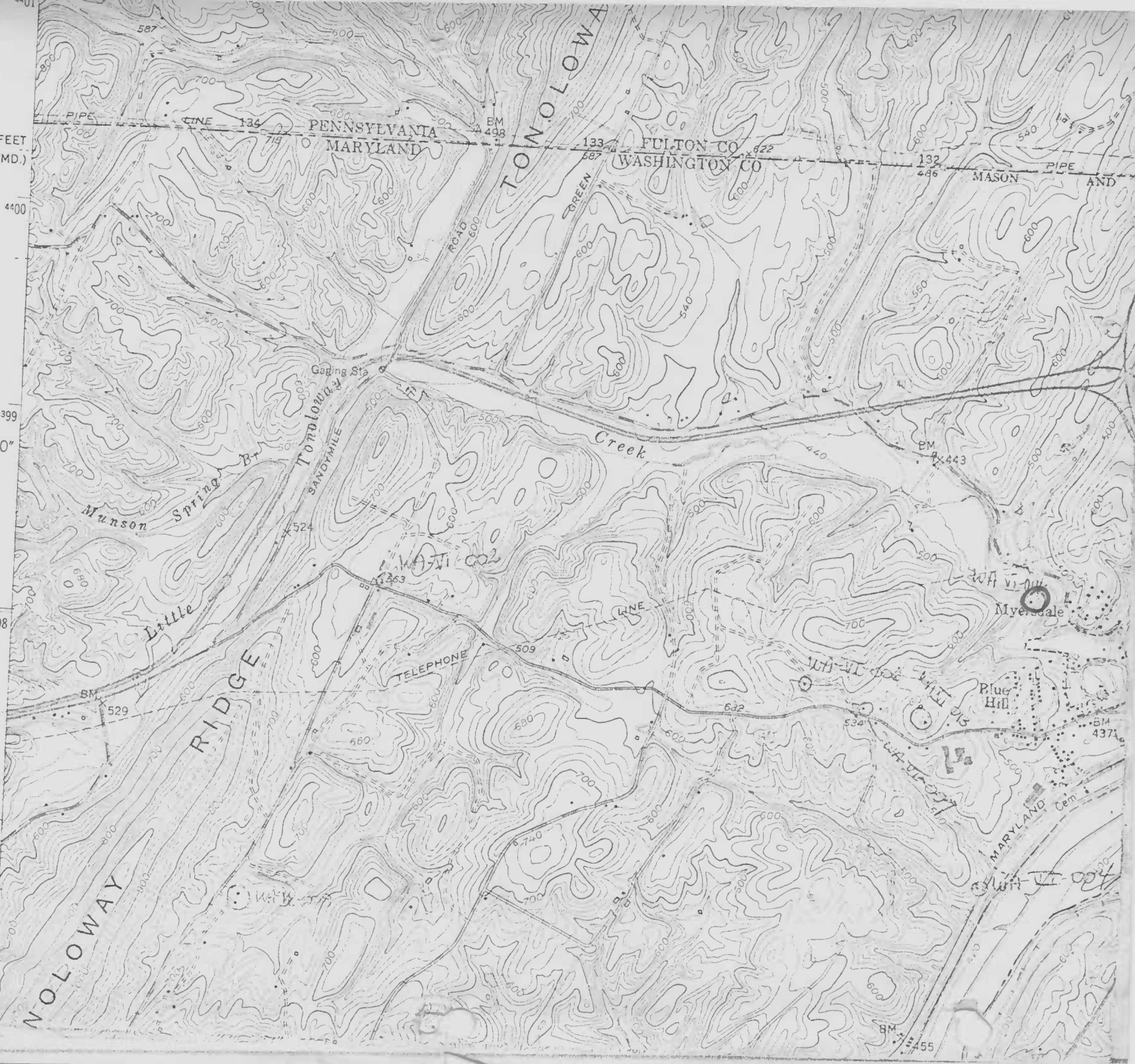
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(MD.)

4399  
42'30"

CUMBERLAND 37 MI  
BELLEGROVE 79 MI

4397

5363 III NE  
(BELLEGROVE)





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house E.

Dec. 1976

Rockdale Mills

Creek Road  
Hancock Vicinity

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Dec. 1976

Rockdale Mills

Greek Road  
Hancock Vicinity

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Mill - S.W.

Dec. 1976

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Mile. S.  
Dec. 1976

Rockdale Mills

Creek Road  
Hancock Vicinity

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Mill interior

Dec. 1976

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Mul interior

Dec. 1976

**Rockdale Mills**

**Creek Road**

**Hancock Vicinity**

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